WOMT Notes

February 3, 2015 Meeting

1. General Information:

<u>CVP</u>

- Keswick Release to upper Sacramento River @ 3250 cfs
- Nimbus Release to lower American River @ 900 cfs
- Goodwin Release to Stanislaus River @ 275 cfs
- Jones Pumping Plant @ 975 cfs
- Delta Cross-Channel Gates: Closed.
- Federal Share of San Luis 351 TAF

SWP

- Oroville Release to Feather River @ 950 cfs
- Clifton Court Allotment @ 2500 cfs
- State Share of San Luis @ 763 TAF

Delta

- Freeport Flow approx. 8,900 cfs
- Vernalis Flow approx. 870 cfs
- Delta Outflow approx. 6,000 cfs
- E/I Ratio approx. 33% (3 day average)

OMR (cfs):

• INDEX (as of 2/3/2015):

Daily: -3000 cfs

• USGS (as of 1/30/2015):

5-day: -3880 cfs

14-day: -3690 cfs

FISHERY UPDATES:

- DOSS Met yesterday. In addition to the standard agenda, two special topics discussed: 1) preferred Coleman National Fish Hatchery schedule for the late fall-run Chinook salmon surrogate release and 2) enhanced PTM status input considerations and desired output. A notice for a NMFS webinar this Friday on the ePTM Model was sent out to group. No advice from today's meeting. There will be a special DOSS meeting this Thursday.
- **SWG** Met yesterday group evaluated OMR matrix as follows:

Range between -1250 and -2000 = Low Risk of Entrainment Range between -2000 and -3500 = Low Risk of Entrainment Range between -3500 and -5000 = Medium Risk of Entrainment

- NMFS No advice from DOSS, no determination needed
- USFWS Is considering the recommendations of the SWG, no determination made at this time
- DFW No advice, Smelt Larval Study #2 still being analyzed

SWRCB:

- Division of Water Rights Working on Order to Temporary Urgency
 Change Petition, hope to have it out today so it would be effective tomorrow
- Office of Delta Watermaster Nothing to report

SHORT-TERM OPERATION FORECAST: The current forecast shows there will be a significant precipitation event this weekend. If that materializes, Delta inflows on the Sacramento River could rise sharply. The water agencies would like to increase exports during this period; it is likely that E/I ratio or OMR constraints could limit exports. The water agencies are working on a proposal to request a flex of current OMR limits that will be submitted to the fish agencies for consideration. The proposal should be finalized by Thursday.

2. WOMT Decisions - None